

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly replace the Title of the Invention with the following:

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-- HYDROXYL GROUP-CONTAINING DIENE RUBBER --.

On page 1, line 2, kindly insert the following:

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-- FIELD OF THE INVENTION --.

On page 1, line 10, kindly insert the following:

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--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.

On page 2, line 10, kindly insert the following:

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-- SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --.

On page 2, line 22, kindly insert the following:

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--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--.

On page 5, please replace the paragraph beginning on line 18 with the following:

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-- The average molecular weight of the hydroxyl group-containing rubbers is between 50,000 and 2,000,000, preferably between 100,000 and 1,000,000. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel Claims 1 - 7.

Kindly add the following new Claims:

-- 8. Rubbers comprising one or more hydroxyl-groups which are produced from diolefins, wherein said rubber(s) contain in the range 0.1 to 2 wt.% of bonded primary hydroxyl groups and have a glass transition temperature between -120 and -50°C.

9. Rubbers according to Claim 8, wherein 1,3-butadiene and/or isoprene are used as diolefins.

10. Rubbers according to Claim 8, wherein the cis-1,4 content of the rubber, which is polymerized in solution, is greater than 30 %.